

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A method in a computing system for generating an expense report, comprising:

displaying controls including a first button and a second button;

in response to each activation of the first button:

creating a new activity item;

establishing a user-selected activity type for the created activity item;

creating an expense item;

consulting a predetermined mapping from activity types to expense types to automatically establish an expense type for the created expense item;

setting an unreported flag for the created expense item; and

in response to each activation of the second button, without any user input subsequent to the activation of the second button:

creating a new expense report;

for each created expense item having a set unreported flag:

adding the created expense item to the created expense report;

clearing the created expense item's unreported flag; and

submitting the created expense report containing the added created expense items.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising, in response to each activation of the first button:

establishing for the created activity item a date designated by a user for the activity item; and

without user input specifying a date for the created expense item, establishing for the created expense item the same date designated by a user for the activity item.

3. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium whose contents cause a computing system to perform a process for generating an expense report, comprising:

displaying controls including an activity item creation button and an expense report creation button;

in response to each activation of the activity item creation button:

creating a new activity item;

establishing a user-selected activity type for the created activity item;

creating an expense item;

consulting a predetermined mapping from activity types to expense types to

automatically establish an expense type for the created expense item;

setting an unreported flag for the created expense item; and

in response to each activation of the expense report creation button, ~~irrespective of~~

without any user input subsequent to the activation of the second button:

creating a new expense report;

for each created expense item having a set unreported flag:

adding the created expense item to the created expense report;

clearing the created expense item's unreported flag; and

submitting the created expense report containing the added created expense items.

4. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 3 wherein the process further comprises, in response to each activation of the first button:

establishing for the created activity item a date designated by a user for the activity item; and

without user input specifying a date for the created expense item, establishing for the created expense item the same date designated by a user for the activity item.

5. (Previously Presented) A computing system for generating an expense report, comprising:

a control display subsystem that displays controls including a first button and a second button;

a first button activation processing subsystem that, in response to each activation of the first button:

creates a new activity item;

establishes a user-selected activity type for the created activity item;

creates an expense item;

uses a predetermined mapping from activity types to expense types to automatically establish an expense type for the created expense item;

sets an unreported flag for the created expense item; and

a second button activation processing subsystem that, in response to each activation of the second button, without any user input subsequent to the activation of the second button:

creates a new expense report;

for each created expense item having a set unreported flag:

adds the created expense item to the created expense report;

clears the created expense item's unreported flag; and

submits the created expense report containing the added created expense items.

6. (Previously Presented) The computing system of claim 5, further comprising a date designation system that, in response to each activation of the first button:

establishes for the created activity item a date designated by a user for the activity item; and

without user input specifying a date for the created expense item, establishes for the created expense item the same date designated by a user for the activity item.

7-12. (Cancelled)